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The database on Graphical Symbols for Use on Equipment contains the complete set of graphical symbols included in IEC 60417 and ISO 7000. It therefore offers end-users a "one-stop" shop for all such graphical symbols. These International Standards are maintained respectively by IEC/TC 3, subcommittee SC 3C and ISO/TC 145, subcommittee SC 3.

Each graphical symbol is identified by a reference number and contains a title (in English and French), a graphical representation in GIF and vectorized PDF format, and some additional data as applicable. Various search and navigation facilities allow for easy retrieval of graphical symbols.

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#### Japanese

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#### Introduction

The database is organized as a set of "data sheets" describing the graphical symbols and their attributes. Please click on "General description" on the left panel to see how the database is structured and how to use graphical symbols.

IEC 60417 is used as a reference by the following IEC member countries:

Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom

#### Languages

The database is bilingual with all symbol data available in English and French (not always true for ISO 7000 graphical symbols). While viewing a symbol data sheet you can switch back and forth between the two languages.

#### Links

All items in blue represent links to other elements or to specific action.

## Finding a symbol

The database provides two methods for finding a symbol:

1. Search function (top right of each page)

You can combine two search terms with a boolean "AND", "OR" or "NOT" operator.

2. Categorized views

Symbols are categorized by symbol ID, name, keyword, shape, function, application, TC/SC, publication and status. Some of the views are presently not available for ISO 7000 graphical symbols.

## **Snapshots**

Snapshots of the database contents are made available for reference purposes in PDF format. Please click on "Snapshots" in the left panel for further information.

### Submitting proposals for change requests

The maintenance process for any changes to this joint IEC 60417 and ISO 7000 database, either for the inclusion of a new graphical symbol or a change to existing graphical symbols should be initiated by a change request (CR). Details are defined in the ISO/IEC Directives (IEC specific procedures, Annex SL for IEC 60417 symbols, and ISO specific procedures, Annex ST for ISO 7000 symbols).

In drafting technical content that may be included in the CR, please refer to IEC 80416-1, Basic principles for graphical symbols for use on equipment - Part 1: Creation of graphical symbols for registration and ISO 80416-2: Basic principles for graphical symbols for use on equipment - Part 2: Form and use of arrows. The most recent guidance for the wording of the description for a symbol original can be found on both the IEC TC 3/SC 3C and ISO TC 145/SC 3 website.

Proposers of such change requests can click here to send an e-mail to the secretaries of IEC SC 3C and ISO TC 145/SC 3 who are responsible for the maintenance of IEC 60417 and ISO 7000, respectively.





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## **General description**

A graphical symbol is a visually perceptible figure used to transmit information independently of language. The graphical symbols for use on equipment are used for a wide range of purposes. For such graphical symbols, consistency in design of families of symbols used in one location or on similar equipment is an important issue, as is legibility when these symbols are reduced to small dimensions. Thus, there have been common provisions among areas covered by IEC and ISO on basic principles for graphical symbols for use on equipment to ensure visual clarity, to maintain consistency and thereby to improve recognition (see IEC 80416-1 and ISO 80416-2).

### Scope

IEC 60417 graphical symbols are primarily intended to:

- identify the equipment or a part of the equipment (e.g. a control or display);
- indicate a functional state (e.g. on, off, alarm);
- designate connections (e.g. terminals, filling points for materials);
- provide information on packaging (e.g. identification of contents, instructions for handling);
- provide instruction for the operation of the equipment (e.g. limitations of use).

IEC 60417 does not apply to symbol originals for:

- safety signs;
- use on drawings and diagrams;
- use in technical documentation of products and in technical product documentation;
- use for public information.

IEC 60417 has the status of a horizontal standard in accordance with IEC Guide 108.

ISO 7000 provides a synopsis of those graphical symbols which are placed on equipment or parts of equipment of any kind in order to instruct the person(s) using the equipment as to its operation.

## Structure of the database

Each graphical symbol carries a registration number (symbol ID) and a name in English and French, together with a graphical representation in GIF or PNG and in vectorized PDF format. There are also several optional fields. Below is a full listing of all the database fields. Some of them do not apply presently to ISO 7000 graphical symbols.

- Symbol ID
- Name
- Graphical representation in GIF or PNG format
- Graphical representation in vectorized PDF format
- Status
- Product area
- Description
- Notes
- Date of release
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- Example of application class
- Function class
- Shape class
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- Publication reference
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- Replacing
- Replaced by
- Change requests

How to use released graphical symbols

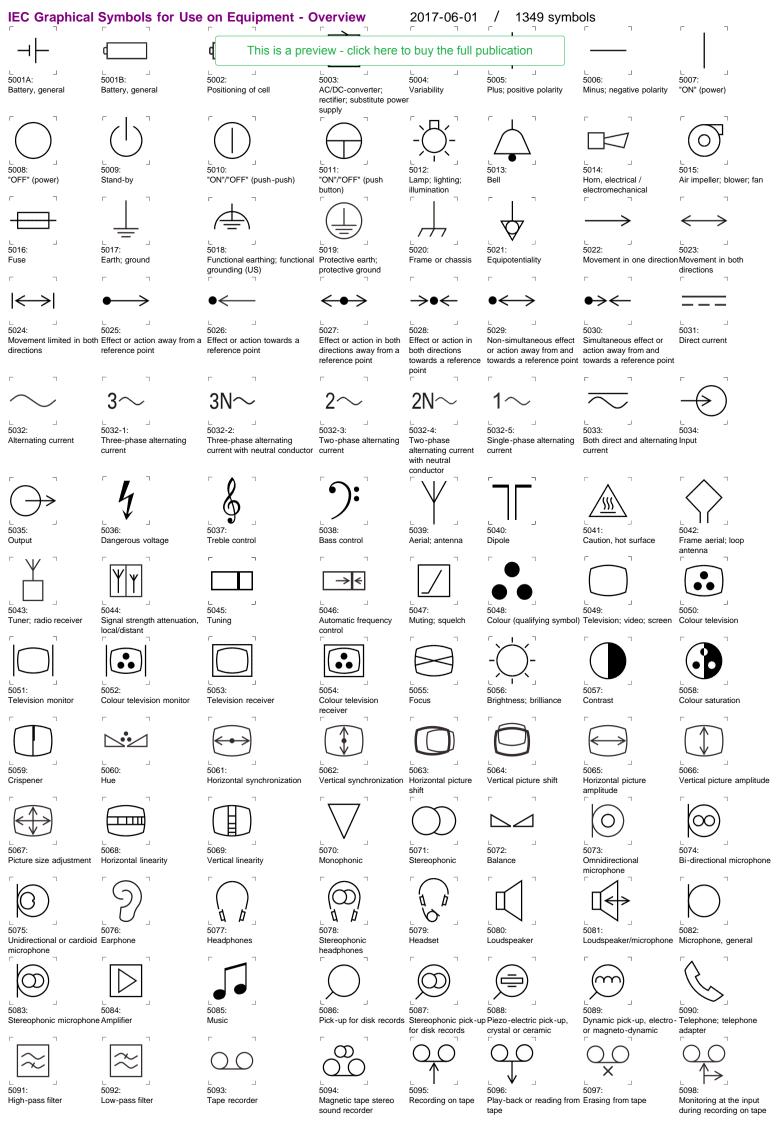
The graphical symbols are intended for use on equipment; generally speaking any kind of equipment. The field "Example of application class" can be used to indicate more specifically

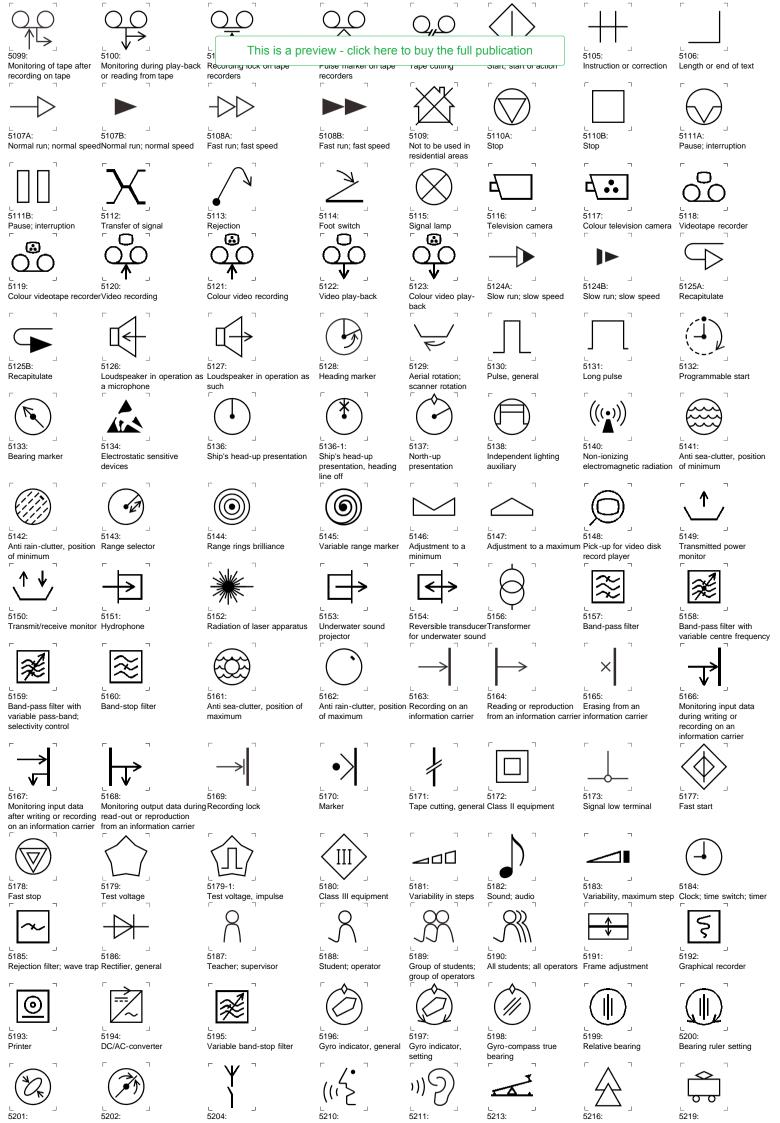
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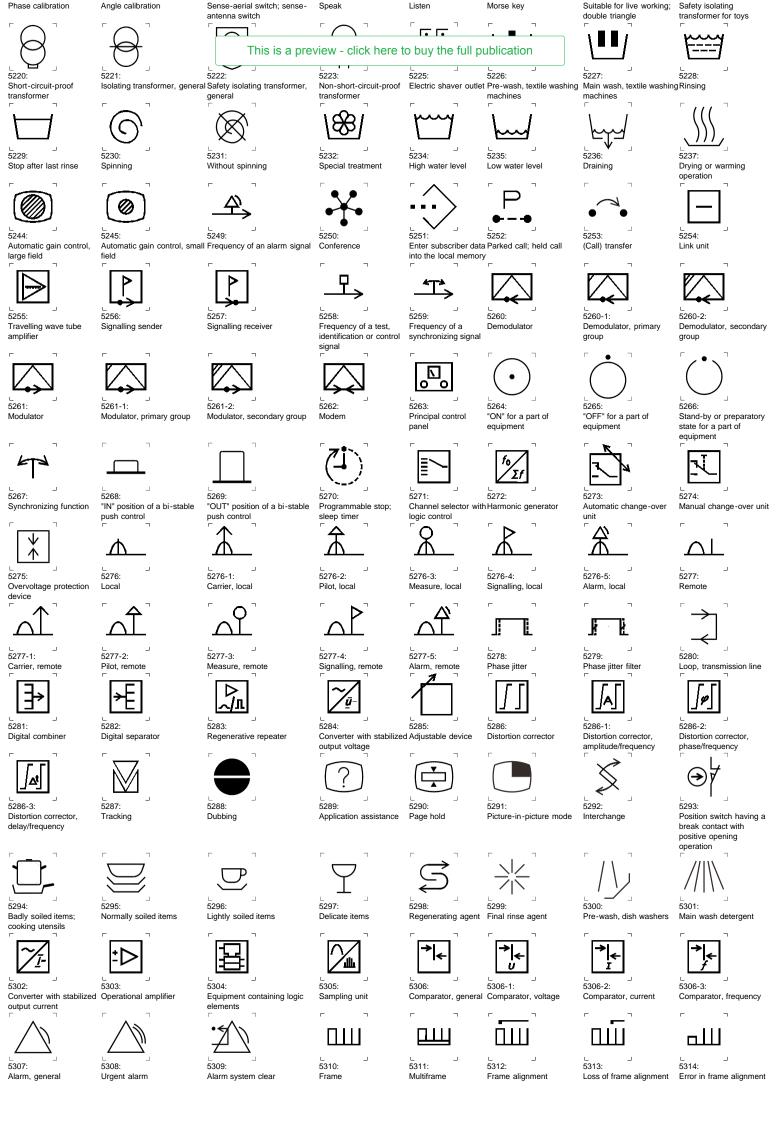
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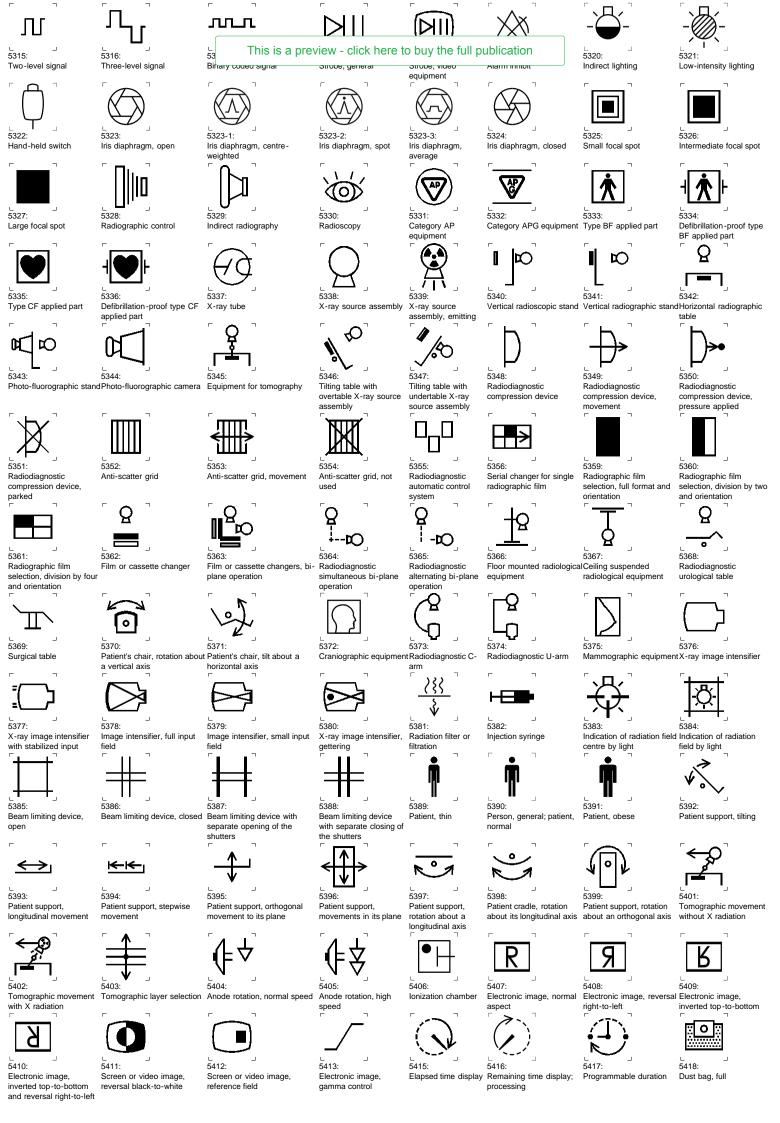
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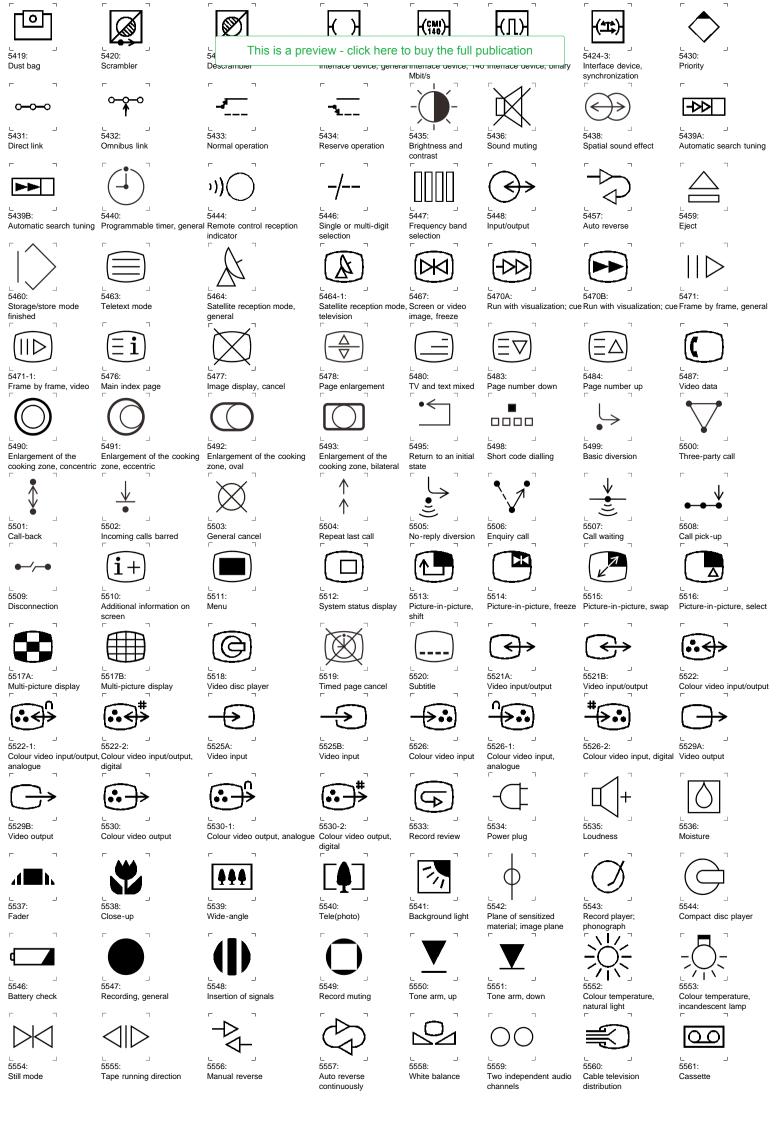
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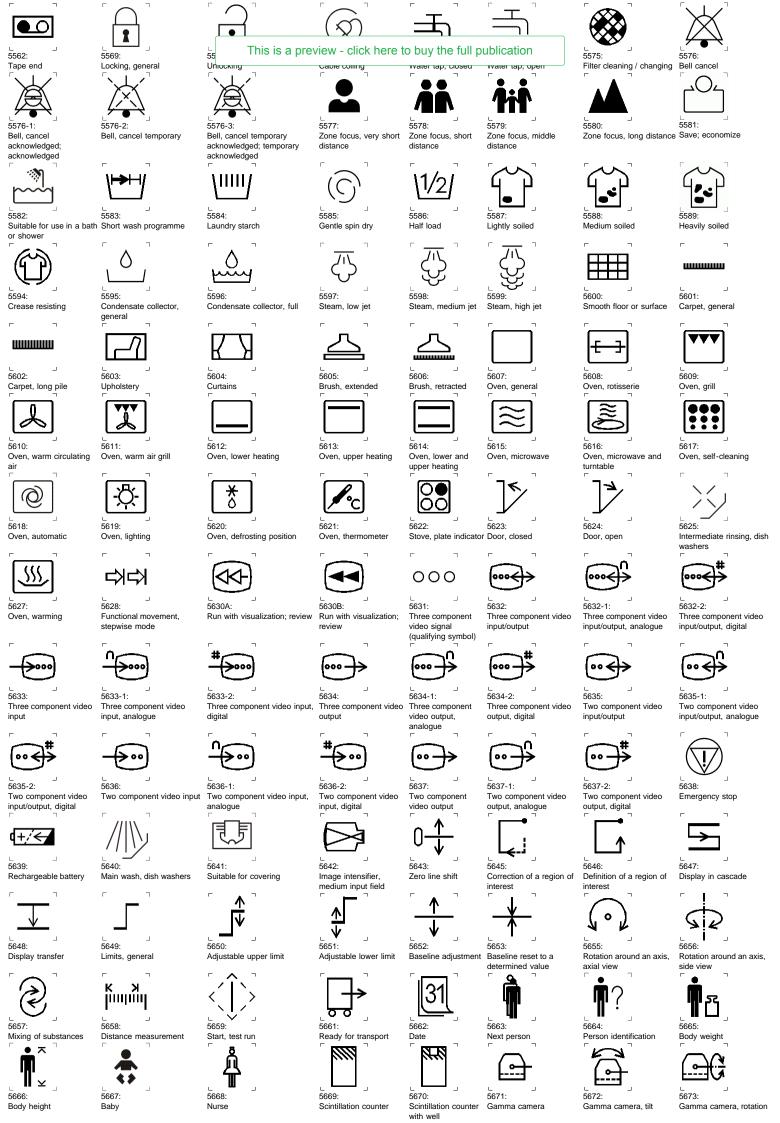


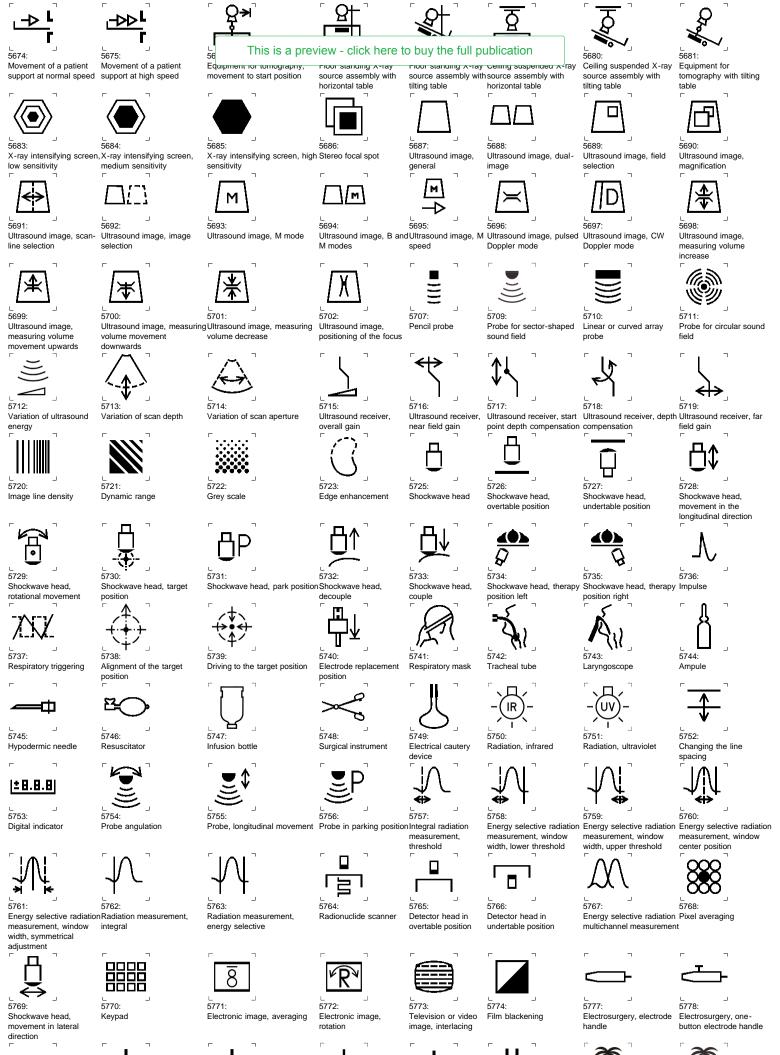






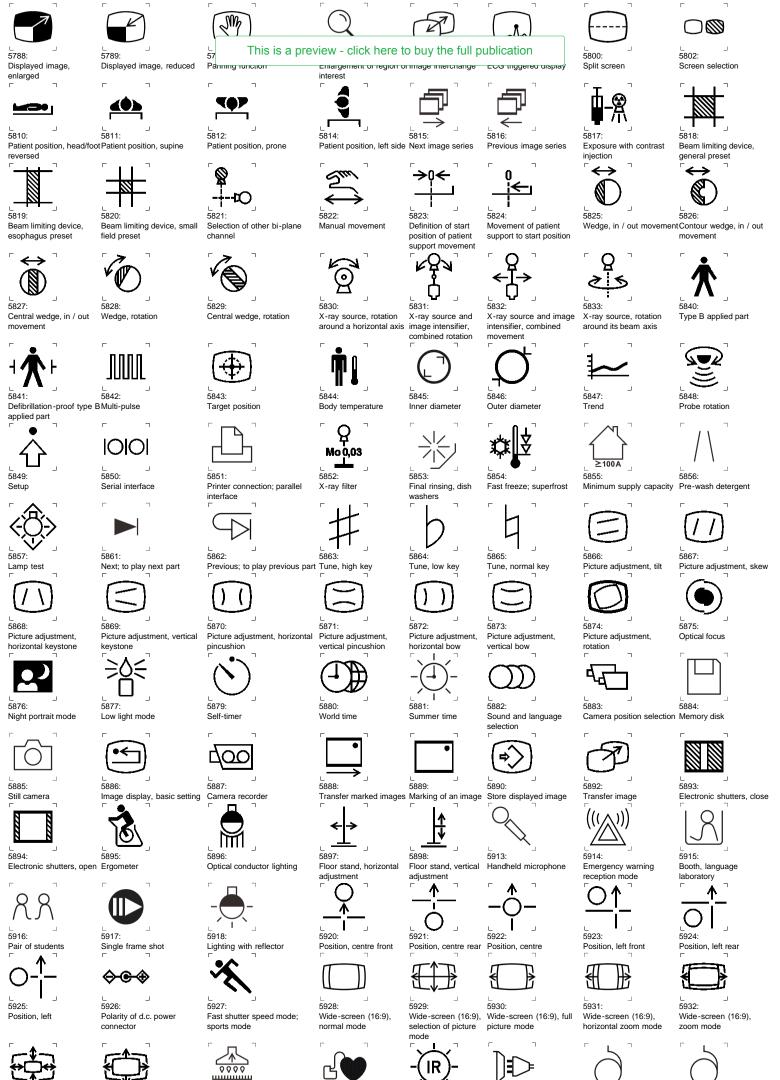






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Wide-screen (16:9),

zoom in/out

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enlarge mode

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water suction cleaning

Wide-screen (16:9), picture Motorized cleaning head for

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Cardiac pacemaker:

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Communication

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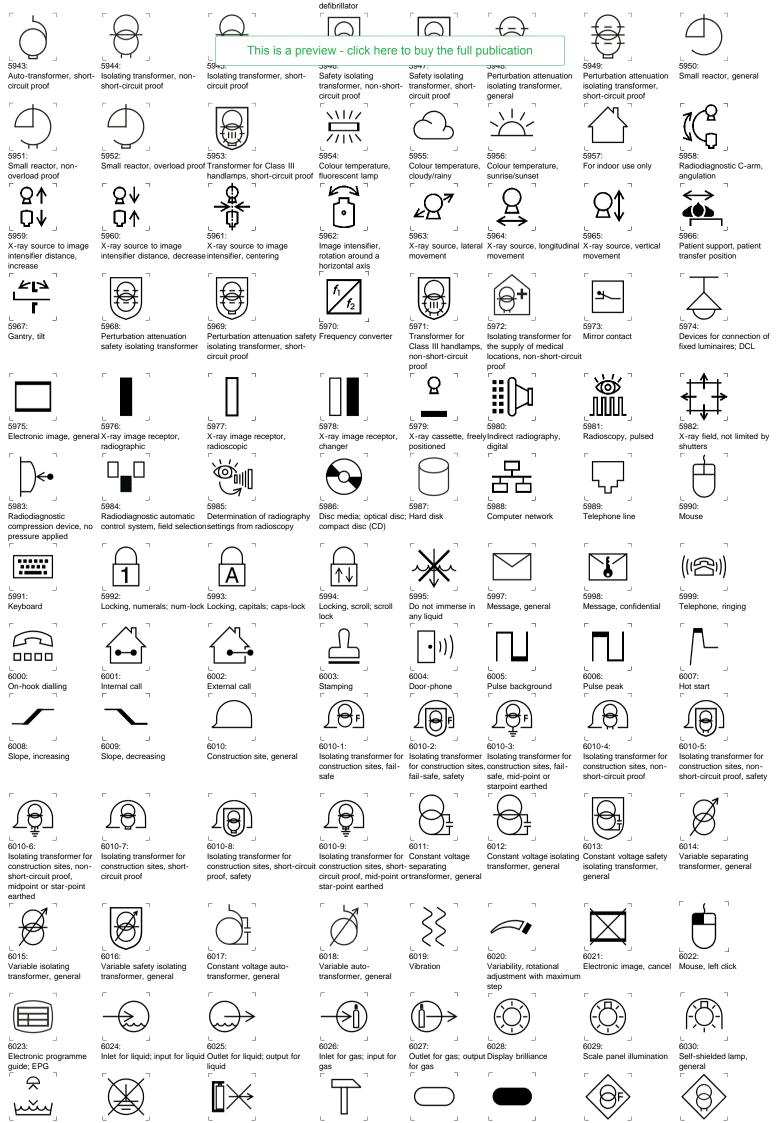
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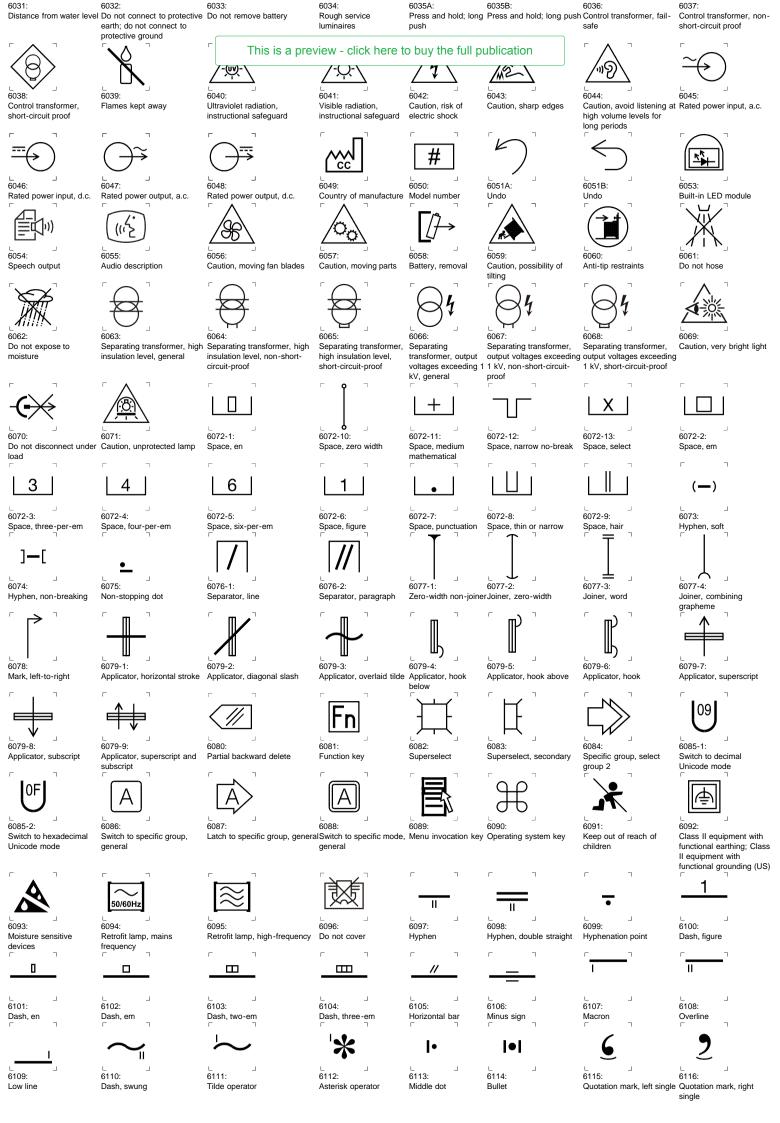
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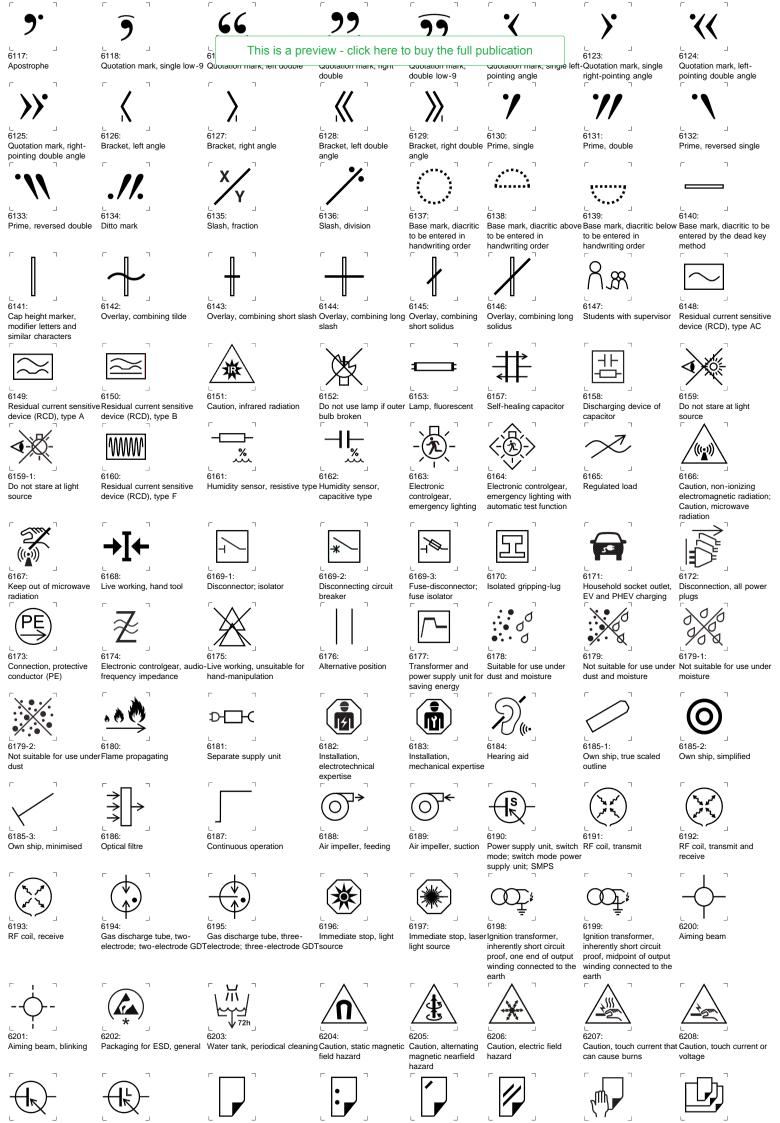
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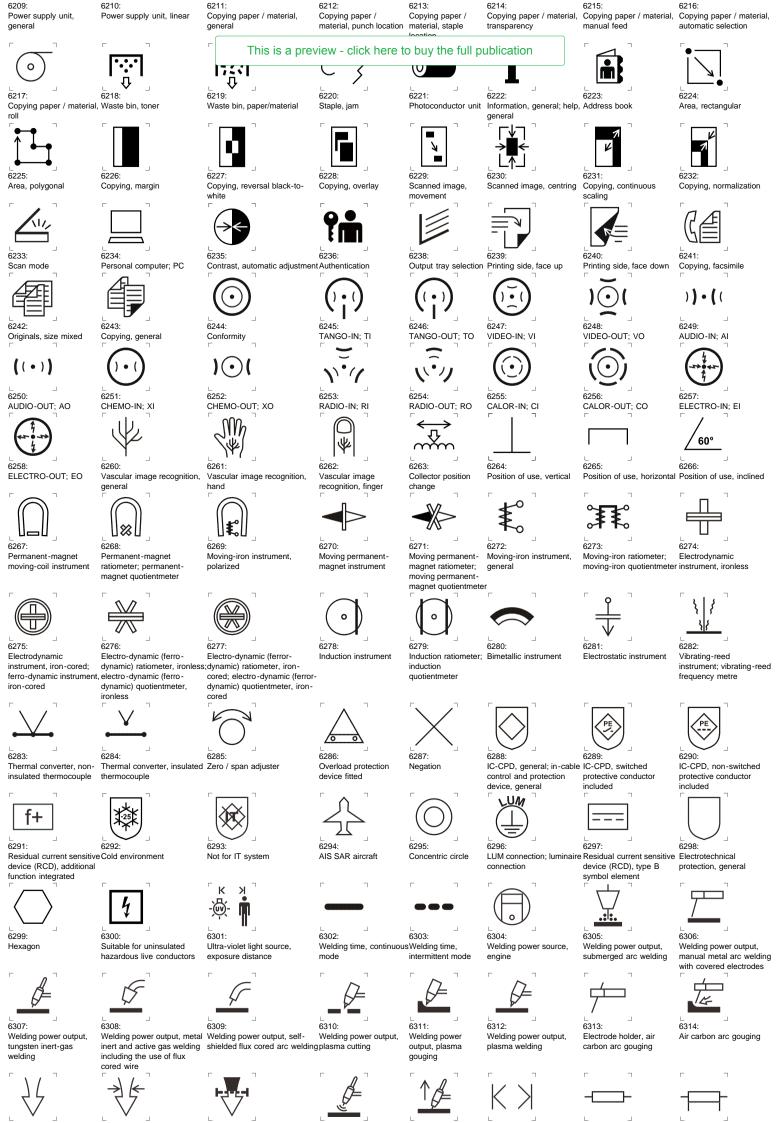
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Josephson junction

6373:

Fragmentation, liquefaction

6374:

Vitrectomy

Connection to potable water supply

